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MARTYR TO SUFFRAGE

ONE of the most unwelcome sequels to the national election is the news that Mrs. Inez Milholland Boissevain, "the most beautiful suffragist" in the United States, is likely to pay with her life for the empty victory won by the adherents of her cause. Mrs. Boissevain was committed to the cause simply because she knew or believed that her sisters throughout the east were entitled to all the advantages of the ballot. She fought valiantly to beat down the barriers that interposed between the electoral rights of men and women, and, in doing so, she gave cheerfully and generously of the bountiful fortune which happened to be placed at her disposal. Shortly after embarking on her transcontinental trip that was interesting to the voters of Nevada from the fact that she made one speech in this state, she was seized with an acute attack of tonsillitis, for which her physicians prescribed absolute rest. This advice Mrs. Boissevain refused to accept and those who were on the inside of the campaign in Reno know that the lady spoke under conditions that would have deterred most women from appearing. The Majestic theater at Reno was packed to the doors and hundreds were turned away. These people were representatives of all parties, who came as much out of curiosity as interest in the subject of the fair speaker. Some of these went away converted through the sheer magnificence of the woman who thrilled her audience with a recital of her convictions for a period of ninety minutes.

Her weakness was apparent. There was no force in the gesticulation and the fact that the lady had risen from a sickbed to which she had been confined all day was not known to more than a few of her personal coterie. Mrs. Boissevain deserves her title of the Joan of Arc of the suffrage cause, as she will likely pay the cost of the recent campaign with her life, and it is to the credit of the American people that all classes already express themselves shocked at the outcome of this one woman's faithfulness to duty. She fought that others might live and that all women enjoy the benefits of suffrage and the universal wish tonight in every American home is that this beautiful apostle of the new cult may be spared for years of greater usefulness.

SPLENDID POSSIBILITIES FOR OIL

THERE are veritable townships of distasteful earth north by northwest from this city. Yesterday a representative of this paper visited a region that was an ancient sea bed, not a mere dry lake, such as abound in Nevada, where the waters were later conserved and then evaporated, leaving the familiar expanses of smooth, alkali clay, where motoring is the quintessence of delight. That the district beyond Crow Springs was a sea bed is denoted by the contour of the rolling hills. The only abrupt eminences consist of malpais and they were doubtless formed at a much later period than the drying up of the sea. The diatoms existed there in such inconceivable numbers that they have been exposed by erosion to a vertical dimension of hundreds of feet. The diatoms were so small as to be almost infinitesimal. The shells of these minute oysters were silicious. Their bodies were largely constituted of water and oil. The water evaporated from the diatoms when the sea went dry and the oil found its way to some subterranean recess. There is no question that petroleum may be found in the region beyond Crow Springs, and there is little doubt as to its quantity, but it would require close study of synclines and anticlines, as well as other elements entering into the problem, to determine the exact location of the oil deposit, but as to its existence there is scarcely the shadow of a doubt. All asphalt base oils have their origin in the shellfish of history. This was definitely proven in the suit to establish title to the Southern Pacific allotments in the Taft district. Analyses were made and noted scientists testified.

With the eastern petroleum it is a different matter. That has a naphtha base and is of vegetable, doubtless resinous, origin, having been deposited during the carboniferous period, when vegetation flourished in the humid swamps of the Appalachian region. The Bonanza would not stand sponsor for any company organized to drill for oil in the Crow Springs district if it were simply a stock selling proposition, but it would be pleased to see a legitimate operation begun there and would be confident of its success, at least its gambler's chance for making a discovery.

THEY'RE ALL PLEASED

IT must be a matter of deep gratification to President Wilson and his stalwart supporters to realize that so many people are "pleased" over his re-election. The Democrats are pleased because the Socialists didn't get in and because they defeated a man simply because he wore whiskers, which was one of their campaign slogans. The British are pleased because Wilson let down the prize court and mail censoring outrages by simply sending "notes." Germany is pleased because its acts of murder and property destruction were answered by meaningless and purposeless "ultimata." France is pleased—well, France, our best friend abroad, is pleased with any fool thing we do and ascribes to us the loftiest motives, and what is said respecting France goes for Russia also, another nation which is and has been a warm friend of the United States.

And now comes Japan. It is pleased also at the honorable victory of the honorable Mr. Wilson. Why shouldn't Japan be pleased? It knows that it can turn its huge munition works into factories for the manufacture of cheap gimcracks and this country will buy them all and not give a rap whether any custom is paid for the support of the government or whether the purchases are staking bread from the mouths of workers at home. Of course Japan is "pleased." Let the bauxite ring!

"As good as gold" is a familiar expression. But if its price continues to ascend, we will soon be saying: "As good as silver." And this hasn't happened since "the crime of '73."

GET BUSY WITH THE SOLONS

WITH a new legislature elected and the time for its convening only two months away, it would be well for the constituents of the various successful candidates to take up with them the matter of the remedial legislation which this state so sorely needs. Too frequently snap judgment is taken in the matter of making laws and the result is that the state has burdensome and needless legislation thrust upon it. Lawmakers desire as a rule to hear suggestions from their constituents. It is well that plans for proposed laws are laid long in advance so that they may be considered and reconsidered and then either adopted, rejected or changed to meet the conditions they are planned to improve.

AMERICAN VESSEL SUNK OFF SPAIN

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—The case of the American steamer Columbian, reported sunk off the Spanish coast, will be laid before President Wilson by the state department, as part of a general summary of recent submarine operations construed by some officials as forecasting a radical change in the German policy. Information regarding the Columbian was so incomplete that no official would predict what part the case may play in final determination of this government's course. Late in the day the American consul at Balboa forwarded the report that the vessel had been sunk thirty miles off Cape Ortegal, and her crew saved, but no details were given. The dispatch immediately was called to the attention of Secretary Lansing.

Points to be cleared up before a decision is reached involve the question of whether the vessel was fired on without warning; whether she carried contraband, and whether she attempted to escape. The report received several days ago that the Columbian was being shelled by a submarine led many officials to believe that she probably was running away, thereby sacrificing her immunity from attack. If she carried contraband and was properly warned, the case may resolve itself into a question of indemnity.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Nov. 13.—A wireless dispatch from Madrid says that it was a German submarine which sank the American steamer Columbian.

BUTTE CREEK HAS PROMISING MINE WORKING

W. F. Roseberry and W. C. Davis of the Ivanhoe Cinnabar Co., located in Butte Creek, were in Battle Mountain last week arranging to have the last of their machinery taken out to the mines.

There are about twenty miners at work on different parts of the property, opening it up and banking out ore for the furnaces, which are of the new type. When completed, this plant will handle about 15 tons per day.—Lovelock Review-Miner.

POPE MAY PROTEST BELGIAN TREATMENT

PONTIFF OPPOSED TO WHOLESALE DEPORTATION OF POOR PEOPLE

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Nov. 13.—Rome dispatches say the Pope is about to send a note to Germany protesting against the reported wholesale deportations of Belgians. It is reported that the decision of the Pontiff has become known semi-officially at the Vatican.

DEATH OF GRANDMA HARMON PIONEER OF CHURCHILL

"Grandma" Harmon, beloved by all who knew her, a pioneer of this county, passed away last Wednesday morning at the home of her son, W. A. Harmon, east of Fallon, at the advanced age of 80 years. She recently fell and broke one of her hips and later suffered a paralytic stroke.

She crossed the plains in 1862 to California and a few years later came to Churchill county, where she made her home until the time of her demise. In the trying days of early pioneering she performed miracles of good samaritanism among her widely scattered neighbors.

She is survived by her husband, William Harmon, Sr., and two sisters, Mrs. Lem Allen and Mrs. Elizabeth Ferguson, three sons, J. S. Harmon, W. A. Harmon and Guy M. Harmon, and one daughter, Mrs. Laura Finke, residing at Lodi, California.

Her body was laid to rest in Fallon cemetery—Churchill Standard.

MRS. BOISSEVAIN IMPROVING

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 13.—Mrs. Inez Milholland Boissevain of New York is somewhat improved today, according to her physicians.

PASTOR RESIGNS

Rev. C. T. Goodsell, pastor of the Sparks Baptist church for the past five years, has resigned his position and will leave on January 1 to accept the pastorate of the Baptist church at Olympia, Wash.

MASTER SPY HELD IN JAIL

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Karl Armaard Graves, a self-styled international spy and magazine writer, is under arrest, charged with attempting to extort \$3000 from Countess von Bernstorff, wife of the German ambassador, by threatening to publish letters "alleged to contain matters showing her infirmities and failings." Officials of the embassy also allege that Graves had in his possession what apparently were confidential coded diplomatic dispatches from the German government to Count von Bernstorff. The prisoner told the federal agents he obtained all the documents from persons who smuggled them past the British censors on the steamship Oscar III. The warrant upon which he was arraigned and held on \$2000 bail for a further hearing Wednesday charges him also with bringing into the District of Columbia letters stolen in Hoboken, N. J., where the Oscar III docks.

In Washington, Graves was known as the man who had published widely what he alleged to be important secrets of the German war office and the Hohenzollerns. He also was known as a man who previously had described himself as a member of the German secret service and later as an employee in foreign fields of the British foreign office. He styled himself the "Master Spy."

Arrangements for the prosecution of Graves will be completed today at a conference between agents of the department of justice, representatives of the district attorney's office and Prince Hatzfeldt, counsellor for the German ambassador.

The letters for which Graves is alleged to have asked \$3000 remained in the possession of agents of the department of justice. The German embassy is most anxious to learn how Graves obtained the letters which he is alleged to have thought would "embarrass" Countess von Bernstorff if made public. It is considered unlikely, however, that information on this point can be obtained, until the Oscar III, on which Graves declared the letters were brought to the United States, returns to New York. Graves was in New York at liberty on \$2000 bail.

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